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Recreational Harvest of Golden Tilefish in South Atlantic Waters Will Close on August 11, 2015

Recreational harvest of golden tilefish in South Atlantic federal waters will **close, at 12:01 a.m. (local time) on August 11, 2015**. Recreational harvest in federal waters will reopen at 12:01 a.m. (local time) on January 1, 2016. The recreational annual catch limit for golden tilefish is 3,019 fish. Reports indicate that landings have exceeded the 2015 annual catch limit for the recreational sector for golden tilefish.

During the closure:

- Recreational harvest or possession of golden tilefish is prohibited.
- The closure applies in both state and federal waters for vessels which have a valid charter/headboat permit for South Atlantic Snapper-Grouper.

This closure is necessary to protect the snapper-grouper fishery.